testimony from Robert S. Mueller III, Director, Federal Bureau of Investigation, and James B. Comey, former Deputy Attorney General, both of the Department of Justice; William Van Alstyne, College of William and Mary Marshall-Wythe Law School, Williamsburg, Virginia; and John C. Harrison, University of Virginia, Charlottesville.

### **NOMINATIONS**

Committee on the Judiciary: Committee concluded a hearing to examine the nominations of Stephen A. Higginson, of Louisiana, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Fifth Circuit, and Jane Margaret Triche-Milazzo, to be United States District Judge for the Eastern District of Louisiana, who were both introduced by Senators Landrieu and Vitter, Alison J. Nathan, and Katherine B. Forrest, both to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of New York, and Susan Owens Hickey, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of Arkansas, who was introduced by Senators

Pryor and Boozman, after the nominees testified and answered questions in their own behalf.

### **VETERANS' AFFAIRS BILLS**

Committee on Veterans' Affairs: Committee concluded a hearing to examine pending calendar business, after testimony from Senators Whitehouse, Warner, and Blumenthal; Michael Cardarelli, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Benefits, Veterans Benefits Administration, Robert L. Jesse, Principal Deputy Under Secretary for Health, and Walter A. Hall, and Richard J. Hipolit, both Assistant General Counsel, all of the Veterans Health Administration, Department of Veterans Affairs; John McWilliam, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training Service; Jeff Steele, American Legion, Joseph A. Violante, Disabled American Veterans, Raymond C. Kelley, Veterans of Foreign Wars of the United States, and I. David Cox, American Federation of Government Employees, all of Washington, D.C.; and Jerome Ensminger, Elizabethtown, North Carolina.

# House of Representatives

## Chamber Action

The House was not in session today. The House is scheduled to meet at 10:30 a.m. on Thursday, June 9, 2011, in pro forma session.

# Committee Meetings

No hearings were held.

# Joint Meetings

No joint committee meetings were held.

### COMMITTEE MEETINGS FOR THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2011

(Committee meetings are open unless otherwise indicated)

#### Senate

Committee on Armed Services: To hold hearings to examine the nomination of Leon E. Panetta, of California, to be Secretary of Defense, 9:30 a.m., SD-G50.

Full Committee, to hold closed hearings to examine the nomination of Leon E. Panetta, of California, to be Secretary of Defense, 2:30 p.m., SVC–217.

Committee on Banking, Housing, and Urban Affairs: To hold hearings to examine reauthorization of the National Flood Insurance Program, 10 a.m., SD-538.

Committee on Energy and Natural Resources: To hold hearings to examine S. 963, to reduce energy costs, improve energy efficiency, and expand the use of renewable energy by Federal agencies, S. 1000, to promote energy savings in residential and commercial buildings and industry, and S. 1001, to reduce oil consumption and improve energy security, 9:30 a.m., SD–366.

Subcommittee on Energy, to hold hearings to examine critical minerals and materials legislation, including S. 383, to promote the domestic production of critical minerals and materials, S. 421, to amend the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 to require the Secretary of Energy to provide grants for lithium production research and development, and S. 1113, to facilitate the reestablishment of domestic, critical mineral designation, assessment, production, manufacturing, recycling, analysis, forecasting, workforce, education, research, and international capabilities in the United States, 2:30 p.m., SD–366.

Committee on Environment and Public Works: Business meeting to consider S. 76, to direct the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency to investigate and address cancer and disease clusters, including in infants and children, and the nominations of William Charles Ostendorff, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, and Richard C. Howorth, of Mississippi, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority, Time to be announced, Room to be announced.

Committee on Foreign Relations: To receive a closed briefing on an intelligence update on Libya, 10 a.m., SVC-217.

Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions: Sub-committee on Children and Families, to hold hearings to examine quality early education and care, 10 a.m., SD-430

Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs: Ad Hoc Subcommittee on Disaster Recovery and Intergovernmental Affairs, to hold hearings to examine border corruption, focusing on assessing customs and border protection and the Department of Homeland Security Inspector General's office collaboration in the fight to prevent corruption, 10 a.m., SD–342.

Subcommittee on Federal Financial Management, Government Information, Federal Services, and International Security, to hold hearings to examine Federal asset management, focusing on eliminating waste by disposing of unneeded Federal real property, 2 p.m., SD–342.

Committee on Indian Affairs: To hold an oversight hearing to examine domestic policy implications of the UN Declaration on the Rights of Indigenous Peoples, 2:15 p.m., SD-628.

Committee on the Judiciary: Business meeting to consider S. 1103, to extend the term of the incumbent Director

of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, S. 978, to amend the criminal penalty provision for criminal infringement of a copyright, S. 1145, to amend title 18, United States Code, to clarify and expand Federal criminal jurisdiction over Federal contractors and employees outside the United States, and the nominations of Steve Six, of Kansas, to be United States Circuit Judge for the Tenth Circuit, Marina Garcia Marmolejo, to be United States District Judge for the Southern District of Texas, Michael Charles Green, to be United States District Judge for the Western District of New York, Wilma Antoinette Lewis, of the District of Columbia, to be Judge for the District Court of the Virgin Islands, and Felicia C. Adams, to be United States Attorney for the Northern District of Mississippi, Ronald W. Sharpe, to be United States Attorney for the District of the Virgin Islands, and George Lamar Beck, Jr., to be United States Attorney for the Middle District of Alabama, all of the Department of Justice, 10

Select Committee on Intelligence: To hold closed hearings to examine certain intelligence matters, 2:30 p.m., SH–219.

#### House

No hearings are scheduled.